PROCLAMATION

For Apprehending Walter Herries.

WILLIAM by the Grace of GOD, King of *Great-Britain*, *France* and *Ireland*, defender of the Faith, To Macers of Our Privy Council, Meſſengers at Armes, our Sheriffs in that part conjunctly and ſeverally ſpecially conſtitut Greeting: Forasmuchas, We and the Eſtates of Parliament, being Informed that one *Walter Herries* Chyrurgeon, who went with the Company Trading to *Africa* and the *Indies*, their firſt Ships to *Darien*, is the Author of a Pamphlet, Intituled, A *defence of the* Scots *abdicating* Darien, Including *an Anſwer to the* Scots *Settlement there*; And of another Pamphlet Intituled, A *Vindication of the ſaid former Pamphlet*: And the Eſtates of parliament having conſidered the ſaids two pamphlets to be Blaſphemous, Scandalous and Calumnious Libels, reflecting upon Religion and the honour of this Nation, Did Recommend to Us to iſſue forth a proclamation, with Advice of Our privy Council, appointing the ſaid *Walter Herries* to be taken into Cuſtody Therefore We with Advice of the Lords of Our privy Council, Require and command all Magiſtrats, Officiars of the Law, and others of our Liedges, to ſeaſe upon, and take into cuſtody the perſon of the ſaid *Walter Herries*, where ever he can be apprehended within this Kingdom, and to deliver him to any Magiſtrat within the ſame; indemnifying hereby all perſons from any hazard of Slaughter, Mutilation, or other violence which they may commit againſt the ſaid *Walter Herries*, in caſe of reſiſtance in apprehending of him. And for the further incouragement of all our good Subjects within this Kingdom to apprehend the perſon of the ſaid *Walter Herries*, We with advice foreſaid, do promiſe and aſſure the Sum of Six Thouſand Pounds *Scots* for a reward to the perſon who ſhall apprehend the ſaid *Walter Herries* within this Kingdom, and deliver him to any Magiſtrat within the ſame, in order to be tryed and brought to Juſtice; Requiring hereby the Lords Commiſſioners of our Theſaury to make payment of the Sum and Reward above-mentioned to the perſon or perſons who ſhall perform the foreſaid ſervice OUR WILL IS HEREFORE, and We charge you ſtrictly, and command, that incontinent, theſe Our Letters ſeen, ye paſs to the Mercat Croſs of *Edinburgh*, and to the Mercat Croſſes of the haill Head Burghs of the ſeveral Shires and Stewartries within this Kingdom, and there in Our Name and Authoritv, by open Proclamation, make Publication of the premiſſes, that none pretend ignorance. And ordains theſe preſents to be Printed.

Given under Our Signet at *Edinburgh* the Firſt day of *January*, and of Our Reign the Twelfth Year, 1701.

Per Actum Dominorum Secreti Concilii.

GILB. ELIOT. *Cls. Sti. Concilii.*

GOD ſave the King.

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